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- 2. Relevance of the non-English language reference No. 2 is discussed in the present specification.
- 3. English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references are attached hereto.
- 4. A computer-generated English translation of the following Japanese Patent Publication has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([http://www.jpo.go.jp]), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See Reference 1.

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	1	JP A 2002-154701 (with abstract and translation)	05/28/2002	Japan				
	2	JP A 3-90378 (with abstract)	04/16/1991	Japan				
	3	JP A 57-151755 (with abstract)	09/24/1982	Japan				
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